# THE WATER GAP TIMES

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#### 2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL DAY OF FISHING

The Friends of Delaware Water Gap and the National Park Service will be sponsoring a fishing clinic for children who are between six and twelve years old. On Sunday, May 20th a ranger from the National Park Service will be at Shull Park at 10 a.m. to talk about fishing. Learn how to bait your own hook and cast. Participants will proceed to Hidden Lake to fish before returning to Shull Park for a cookout style lunch provided by the Friends of Delaware Water Gap.

#### All kids will receive a free pole!

Enrollment is free but space is limited. To enroll, please contact Michael De Lotto at 570-424-2413. Parents are welcome to attend

#### Borough Office Hours

Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 570-476-0331 dwgboro@ptd.net

Borough Superintendent – Allen Blakeslee Office Secretary/Treasurer – Ileana Hernandez Municipal Authority Secretary – Penelope Klyce

Delaware Water Gap Police Department 570-476-4674 police@dwgpa.gov Police Chief Jeffrey Williams Assistant Police Chief Santos Rolon, Jr. Officer Amanda Boyd

State Police - 570-839-7701 **Emergencies Only 911** 

Borough Council

Larry Freshcorn, Mayor Wayne MacWilliams, President William Buzzard, Vice President

Derek Anspach Elvi De Lotto

Jack Shoemaker

Tim Snow

Eileen Noelle White

Council meetings are held on the 1st Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

Municipal Authority

Roxanne Kaiser-Antonowich, Chair James Reynolds, Vice Chair Martin W. Wilson, Secretary Harry Darlington

Steve Simister

Municipal Authority meetings are held the 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Planning Commission

Derek Anspach, Chair Ann Biffen Valerie Higbee **Gary Schubert** 

Randy Snow

Planning Commission meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Zoning Hearing Board

Frank Davis Carol Penna

Dmitri Snytkine

Avis Mosier, Alternate

Zoning Hearing Board meetings are held as needed.

Building Code Board of Appeals

Walter Conway James Holbrook

**Bob Mancuso** 

Zoning Officer

Russell Piccotti

**Building Inspector** Mike Tripus

Emergency Coordinating Manager **Brad Miller** 

Deputy Emergency Coordinating

Manager

Lisa Paulette

Floodplain Administrator

Walt Conway

#### The Borough of Delaware Water Gap AN APPALACIAN TRAIL COMMUNITY

#### Mayor's Corner

Dear Borough Residents,

The March storm of 2018 will certainly be one for the history books. The Nor'easter hit eastern Pennsylvania with varying amounts of snow from just inches in some places to over a foot in others. The wet heavy snow combined with strong winds easily pushed over trees onto power lines resulting in outages all over the state. Met Ed reported over 238,000 homes without power prompting them to bring in crews from all over the US to help restore service. As for the Gap itself, the grid was pretty much intact except for a couple homes that experienced service line damage. Our biggest issue was that a generator at one of our largest wells failed leaving us in danger of losing water to the Borough. Through the help of Martz Trailways, we were able to secure a generator just in time to keep us from running out of water. I want to thank all those who helped us get through this natural disaster. Borough Council mobilized quickly trying to handle the water issue and push Met Ed to restore power to our community. They walked the streets knocking on doors inviting people to the Borough Hall to get warm and charge their electronic devices. We supplied coffee and donuts and stayed onsite to answer questions as best as we could. Our Fire Department had their hands full working accidents and closing roads that were a danger to the public, but the most amazing thing was hearing stories of neighbors helping neighbors. From people sharing generators to helping a neighbor who had a tree hit their home. In true Water Gap fashion, they cut up the tree and helped patch the roof until it could be repaired. That IS Delaware Water Gap! We learned a lot from this storm and will take those lessons and apply them to be better prepared next time Mother Nature is in a bad mood. Council Members, along with Junior Council and our Emergency Management Coordinator will be putting together a disaster plan in hard copy. If you would like to help design this plan, please contact me. Thank you to everyone who helped our community get through this weather event. You're the reason Delaware Water Gap is the community everyone talks about and wants to be part of.

Larry Freshcorn, Mayor D.W.G.

### MAC & CHEESE **FUNDRAISING DINNER**

TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 2018 6:00 - 10:00 P.M. DEER HEAD INN

**\$10 PER PERSON** 

PROCEEDS WILL BE USED TOWARDS COST OF THE COOKING STATION AT SHULL PARK

> **Delaware Water Gap Celebration of the Arts** CAMP JAZZ

> > June 24-30, 2018

Founded by Phil Woods & Rick Chamberlain

COTA Camp Jazz embraces all instrumental and vocal learners age 12 and up. Applicants can apply at the beginner, intermediate, or advanced level. www.campjazz.org

#### Please consider joining the Delaware Water Gap Volunteer Fire Department or Auxiliary.

Join these dedicated men and women who help to make our borough a safer place.

Meetings are held at the Fire House on Main Street on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

**Dutot Museum Open House** 

The Infamous Walking Purchase of 1737 By Frank Salvati

> Saturday, May 12, 2018 1:00 p.m.

Free admission & light refreshments

Meet your neighbors and learn about our history!

24 Main Street, Delaware Water Gap, PA 18327 www.dutotmuseum.com

Please consider joining the Dutot Museum, an allvolunteer, non-profit organization whose mission is to preserve the history of Delaware Water Gap and promote the fine arts. Monthly meetings are held at the museum at 7:30 p.m. on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month from March to October.

To learn more. visit dutotmuseum.com

#### The Borough of Delaware Water Gap AN APPALACIAN TRAIL COMMUNITY

#### **Antoine Dutot Museum & Gallery**

2018 Exhibitions

Marie Liu & Kate Horan Opening Reception – Friday, May 25 - 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

May 26 to June 10

Riv15 – Waters One Opening Reception - Friday, June 15 - 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. June 16 to July 1

Will Daskal

Opening Reception - Friday, July 6 - 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. July 7 to July 22

En Plein Air Fine Art Show & Silent Auction Saturday, July 28 – 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. July 28 to August 5

Eleanor Shelton

Opening Reception - Friday, August 10 - 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. August 26 to September 10

Will Rothfuss

Opening Reception - Friday, August 31 - 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. September 1 to September 16

Lauryn de Leeuw, Rena Hottinger & Lisa Sakoutis Opening Reception - Friday, September 21 - 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. September 22 to October 7

The Museum & Gallery are open Saturdays and Sundays 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.



## Church of the Mountain Gazebo Concerts

Sundays June 3rd to August 26<sup>th</sup>

6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Concerts are free to the public and will be held indoors in inclement weather. Bring a blanket or chair. Refreshments are available for sale.

#### **Borough Committee Meetings**

#### Water

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

#### **Economic Development (EDC)**

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at 9:00 a.m.

#### **Liberty-Delaware Water Gap Trail**

3rd Wednesday of each month at 9:00 a.m.

#### Friends of DWG

4th Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. **New members welcome!** 

#### **Beautification**

1st Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. New members welcome!

All committee meetings are held at
Borough Hall
49 Main Street
Delaware Water Gap

# Remember to recycle! It is mandatory in the borough.



The Delaware Water Gap
Water Committee and
Water Plant Operator Craig LaBarre
will hold a
"Question & Answer"
Public Meeting

Thursday, April 12, 2018 7:00 p.m. Borough Hall

This will be an opportunity to find out about our water system and address any concerns.

### Residents Are Urged to Sign up for CodeRed Alerts

#### What is CodeRed?

CodeRed is a mass notification system used to notify residents of an emergency situation and to provide critical community alerts. The system has the ability to send out text messages. If you want to receive a text message, email or phone call, you can provide your provider information. Text is recommended because text messages can be sent out faster than phone calls.

#### How do I register for CodeRed?

To register or update your information, go to Monroecountypa.gov/codered and click on the CodeRed Logo. Residents can also download the CodeRed app onto their mobile devices. Emergency Messages can then be sent to your device through push notifications, enabling you to be aware of pertinent information for Monroe County or anywhere you travel that uses CodeRed.

# Are there other ways for me to receive *CodeRed* Weather Warnings?

Yes, when you sign up it will give you the option to enter two telephone numbers. One can be your landline, the other can be your cell phone, or both can be cell phone numbers. When you enter a cell phone number at the registration page, be sure to check "Mobile" underneath the telephone number. Then select your carrier. Also, by entering your email you will also receive email notifications of these alerts.

#### Is there a cost for this feature?

No, *CodeRed* is free anyone living in Monroe County.

# What are some of the other services I can sign up for?

You can sign up for *CodeRed* Weather Warning. If you choose weather warnings through the app, you will be charged an annual fee of \$ .99 by ECNetwork, parent company of *CodeRed*.



### Dog Days in the Park

Saturday. July 21 10:00 a.m. Shull Park

\$10.00 Suggested donation will go towards the
Stroudsburg Area Police K-9 Unit.

Come out and meet your neighbors and their fourlegged friends. Lisa from Sit, Stay and Play will
teach you the basics on how to handle your dog
and answer your questions.

# 14<sup>TH</sup> Annual Founder's Day Celebration

Saturday June 30<sup>th</sup> 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (rain or shine)

Watch the Post Office bulletin board for more information.

### "Water Gap on Sale"

A Community-Wide Garage & Yard Sale

Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup> 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (Rain date: Sunday, May 20th)

Hold your sale at your own home. A \$10.00 fee covers flier, ads in the Pocono Record, maps & balloons pinpointing your location. Please watch for registration forms and more information on the bulletin board at the Post Office and Borough Hall.